

NSCAD Senate Minutes

Date & Time: 31 March 2025, 10AM

Present: D. Van de Wetering, A. Fish, R. MacDonald, S. Fisher, R. Young, R. Jejishergill, O. Skeen, J. Macalik, N. Peach, S. Tracey, Z. Kirch, D. Smith, K. Cope, M. Chung, H. Pourian, M. Reichertz

Item	Agenda	Action
1.	1.1 - Territorial Acknowledgement - NSCAD University is located in Kijipuktuk, the district of Sipekne'katik, Mi'kma'ki, which since time immemorial has been the unceded traditional territory and ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq Nation. We pay respect to the historic and contemporary Mi'kmaw artists who have, over millennia, created unique artforms and designs, and through generations, passed down ways of being, knowing, and doing that are valued and respected. NSCAD University is committed to forging a relationship based on reciprocity as we move forward together in a good way, based on the foundational aspirations in our collective treaties, dating back to 1725.	1.1 read by A. Fish.
1.	1.2 – Establish quorum. 1.3 - Motion: to approve the meeting agenda for the March 31 st meeting of Senate.	1.2 established. 1.3 moved by H. Pourian, passes.
2.	2.1 – Declaration of conflict of interest.	N/A
3.	3.1 – Motion: to approve the minutes from the February 24th meeting of Senate .	3.1 moved by J. Macalik, passes.
4.	Consent Agenda N/A	N/A
5.	Committee Reports 5.1 - Discussion: review of the draft Attendance Policy from Policy and Planning .	
6.	Other Business 6.1 - Motion: to approve the academic dates for 2025-26 . 6.2 - Motion: the NSCAD Senate request that the NSCAD Board of Governors report on the question of how it is planning for the future of NSCAD's campus consolidation plan and meeting the 2030 standards of accessibility to assist Senate with short and long-term academic planning; <i>by June 30th, 2025. as outlined in the Supporting Documentation.</i> Supporting Documentation 6.3 - Discussion: NSCAD Facilities Options Analysis Report.	6.1 moved by K. Cope, 2 nd by J. Macalik, 11 passes, 1 abstention. 6.2 moved by Z. Kirch, 2 nd by K. Cope, amended by D. van de Wetering, 2 nd by K. Cope, passes with 10 for, 1 opposed. The original motion passes with nine for, one opposed.

7.	Announcements/Point of Information 7.1 - Chair of Senate 7.2 - President 7.3 - VPAR 7.4 - Dean, Academic 7.5 - Dean, Students 7.6 - SUNSCAD 7.7 - BoG	Notes below.
8.	In Camera Session 8.1 - motion to go in camera (requires unanimous consent) 8.2 - motion to go out of camera 8.3 - motions from in camera discussion	
9.	9.1 – Motion: to adjourn the meeting. Next meeting date: April 28th, 2025	9.1 moved by K. Cope.

7.7 - Board is looking for applications to the agency of board commissions for Board membership – an email will be forwarded by senate@nscad.ca.